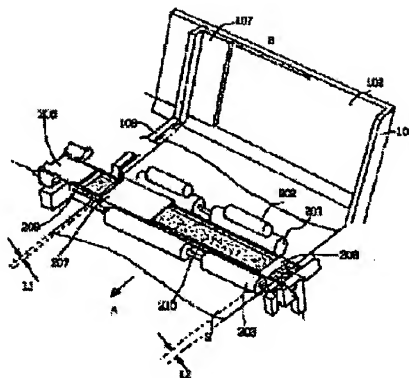


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PROBLEM TO BE SOLVED: To enable data to be recorded without a blank and at the same time, shorten recording time by providing a guide means inside the lateral end part of a recording medium in such a manner that the guide means is moveable in the width direction of the recording medium, and further, providing an ink receiving means for receiving ink from a recording head. **SOLUTION:** Prior to a recording action, a sheet S is set and at the same time, a guide member 107 is transferred, in a B direction, up to the end part of the sheet S, and the outer end part of a guide member 207 provided on a platen part 206 is set inside from the sheet end part by a distance L1. In addition, the outer end part of a guide member 208 is set inside from the other end part of the sheets S by a distance L2. Further, when the sheet S is conveyed to a specified position at the time of recording, a carriage 402 is transferred to a preliminary ejection position for a preliminary ink ejection before recording by a recording head and the preliminary ink ejection is carried out to initiate the recording process. In this case, an ink droplet to be scattered to the outside on both end parts of the sheet S is received by an ink receiving part 210 provided on the platen part 206.



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